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SUBJECT: OVERFLIGHT CLEARANCES FOR AMMO AIRLIFT TO ETHIOPIA

REF: A. STATE 63957

B. JIDDA 1940 (NOTAL)

C. JIDDA 1319 (NOTAL)

1. THE SAUDI ARABIAN GOVERNMENT (SAG) HAS REACTED WELL IN PRIVATE AND SAID NOTHING CRITICAL PUBLICLY ABOUT OUR DECISION TO SUPPLY AMMUNITION TO THE EPMG (REFS B AND C). THAT IS NOT TO SAY, HOWEVER, THAT THE SAG SUPPORTS OUR DECISION OR WOULD CARE TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH IT. ON THE CONTRARY, WE JUDGE THAT THE SAG WOULD STRONGLY PREFER TO AVOID ANY APPEARANCE OF ASSOCIATION WITH THE AIRLIFT.

2. SAUDI CIVIL AVIATION OFFICIALS AS A RULE RESPOND WITH EFFICIENT PROMPTNESS TO REQUESTS FOR OVERFLIGHT CLEARANCES PROPERLY FILED THROUGH NORMAL COMMERCIAL CHANNELS AND WE HOPE SUCH WILL BE THE CASE IN THIS INSTANCE. WE WOULD PREFER NOT REPEAT NOT TO APPROACH
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THE SAG UNLESS IT HAS BECOME APPARENT THAT

ACTION BY CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES IS BEING HELD UP
FOR POLITICAL OR OTHER REASONS REQUIRING OUR INTERVENTION.
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